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GAZETTE.

Containing the freshest Advices,

res, Foreign and Domestick.

FROM MONDAY October 17th, to MONDAY October 24th, 1748.

The Hague Politician's Remarks on the Preliminaries of Peace.

AMONGST other Reasons, which the Politicians here have either discovered or invented, as having influenced, in a great Measure, this important and unexpected Event, those that make any Impressions on the Minds of judicious People, and are consequently like to have any Thing in them of Truth, (for Certainty, at this Juncture, cannot be expected) may be reduced to Three.—It is pretended, that Two Great Powers, engaged in the War, had privately negotiated, and were on the very Point of concluding a Peace, upon Terms of such a Nature as must have produced another War, in which it would not have been easy to foresee what new Parties might have engaged.—It is also said, a certain Great Power was about to detach herself from her Allies, which would have had very inconvenient Consequences.—Lastly, it is given out, that a certain ballancing Power took the Pains of regulating pacifick Terms, and then added, *sic Volo, sic Jubeo*, which had a mighty persuasive Force on certain eminent Persons; but which of these is to be preferred, I will not pretend to direct.

We also have another Set of Men who have been always exclaiming against the War, and were, 'till very lately, for a peace at any Rate. But now, when they see her advance with such large Strides, and are full of Intention to degrade the Ministers that have laboured so much to bring it about.—Now nothing is less desirable.—Now nothing can be worse for Great-Britain.—Now it is represented as most advantageous to France, who, say they, want both Men, Money, and Bread. But now these double-mouthed People have awakened a Sort of neutral Politicians among us, who, without Regard to Party, weigh every Event and Objection in a just Balance.—And return this short Answer; The French, it is certain, do not want Men; when, at this Time, they can master in the Field Two to One against the Allies. They do not want Money, it is also certain, for these Men are regularly paid, and their Actions are as high or higher, than they were in the second Year of the War, which is the strongest Proof of their not being in Want of Money; tho' many of their Merchants have suffered in their private Capacity. Neither can they be said to be so distressed for Bread, when the Harvest in the South of France will, in all Likelihood, soon relieve them. For though it be true, that the Crops failed them last Year, it is as notorious that France was, before that Accident, in a Capacity of exporting of great Quantities of Corn, and underselling us in the Spanish and Portuguese Markets, but the very Year before: And therefore it is presumed that a Peace, at present, when France is not only superior in the Field; not distressed for Money, capable, under GOD's Blessing, to supply their Want of Bread, by their own approaching Harvest; and, I must add, what no Body can deny, flushed with Victory, and in Possession of, or capable of seizing upon all the strong Holds in Flanders, Brabant, and the Netherlands, &c. is most advantageous to us. Ah! but it is replied it can never be that the French, who are such able Politicians and Negotiators, should ever agree to a Peace, by which they are sure to lose.—They must have some secret Snare to draw us into.—Now, for once, I will turn Politician, and, perhaps, may be Right in my Conjecture, having had an Example of the like Nature in Queen Ann's Reign: The Duke of Marlborough was hated by the new Ministers of that Queen. But while he was gathering Laurels at the Head of her Army, there was no possibility of wronging him in the Eyes of his Royal Mistress; therefore they, tho' flushed with Victory, wanted neither Men, Money, nor Bread; had beaten the French King out of all his strong Holds, and reduced his Subjects to the very last Ex-

tremity, resolved to grant him a Peace upon his own Terms, that they might have an Opportunity to disband the Army, and disgrace the Duke.

These are stubborn Facts; and, I think, perfectly copied by the present French Ministry. Here is M. Saxe and M. Louvillier, both Protestants, hated by them; but so long as they meet with Success in the Field, these Marshals maintain their Ground in the Royal Favour, against all their Cabinet Enemies. Therefore, as nothing but the rendering them useless, can forward their Disgrace, and no King but a Peace is able to render them useless, the French Ministers are resolved upon a Peace almost upon any Terms. Thus, I presume, they propose Peace, thro' Envy of the King's Favourites, and not through Necessity.

L O N D O N, July 9.

It is pretended, as they add, that the French King, in Spite of the Advice of his Ministry and principal Noblemen, has resolved to keep an Army of 100,000 Men constantly in readiness for Action in the Netherlands, 'till the conclusion of the definitive Treaty.

From Vienna our Accounts are not more agreeable than from Poland and Russia: The Locusts do incredible Mischief in Transylvania, and the Lower Hungary, coming in such prodigious Swarms, that they darken the Air as they pass by; and wherever they rest, they consume in one Night's Time, every green Thing they find, so that the next Morning one can hardly see a Blade of Corn, nor a Leaf upon the Trees. They have made their Progress as far as a Place called the Five Churches, in Hungary; and being that got over the Danube, it is very much feared that they may take their Flight into the Austrian Hereditary Provinces.

By Letters from Shropshire and Staffordshire we have Accounts of prodigious Havock made by Locusts in these Parts: They have devoured most of the Blossoms of the Apple and Crab Trees; so that they expect but a very small Quantity of Cyder: What is most extraordinary, is, that the Oak Trees have suffered more than any other; many of them having no more Leaves left on them than at Christmas: But the Rooks have lately took a liking to them, and every Day devour a prodigious Number. On the other Hand, the Distemper which had visited the Cattle is entirely ceased: And Letters from all Parts of the Kingdom agree, that there never was a Prospect of a better Harvest of both Hay and Corn; and that Hay in many Places sells for less than 1 s. a Hundred Weight.

The Genoese have now a free Communication by Land with all the Countries round them, and their Hostages at Milan were the next Day to be released when the last Advices came from thence: But by Sea the English Fleet continued to make free with their Vessels, as their Accession to the Preliminaries was not known to Admiral Byng. It is not doubted, however, but we shall have other Accounts before our next, the Duke of Newcastle having written to that Admiral upon the Subject. In the mean time Mr. Byng has been on Shore at Villafranca, and most elegantly entertained by the Marquis de Bellisle, and the Duke de Richelieu.

His Serene Highness the Prince Stadtholder is intent on the great Plan of settling Domestick Affairs in Holland, in regard to Civil & Military Justice, the just Rights of the People, and the Distribution of Offices as well as the Revenue.

July 27. A Skirmish has lately happened near Oppenheim, between some French and the Allies, in which sixteen were killed. It is said they were in Liquor.

We learn that his Majesty, in going from Hesse-Cassel to Hanover, in his Coach, was overturn'd, but providentially received no Hurt.

Hanover, July 10. Mr. Legge the King's Minister at the Court of

of Berlin, is arriv'd here, and his Journey is said to be upon an Affair of great Importance.

Extract of a Letter from Berlin, June 3. N.S.

The King having granted the Roman Catholics Leave to build themselves a Church for the free Exercise of their Religion, after they had put up the Picture of the Pope, finely adorn'd, they apply'd themselves to his Majesty, to know if he would give them Leave to put up his Picture; he told them yes; which they accordingly did, finely enrich'd. They came a second Time to him to ask when he would give them Leave to perform Divine Service; He bid them bring him the Keys and he would let them know; having brought the Keys, he told them, when there is a Protestant Church at Paris, and another at Vienna, he would let them know his Mind.

Extract of a Letter from the Imperial Camp at Buxtel, June 10.

The Croats have lately performed an Exercise of Firing, in Presence of the Field-Marshal, and Mr. William van Haren, Deputy from the States-General. All the Spectators did Justice to their Address; but were particularly obliged to confess their Surprise at seeing two Platoons, in which every Man had another upright on his Shoulders, and yet performed all the Exercise of the Fusil, charging Platoon against Platoon, without any Man losing his Equilibre. The Artillery also perform'd an Exercise Yesterday, when eight Pieces of forged Iron Cannon, invented at Vienna, were proved. In 15 Minutes every Piece discharged 100 Times, without wanting to be clean'd all the Time.

Extract of a Letter from Berlin, June 8. N.S.

The King, who is at Potsdam, and whose Attention nothing escapes, having remarked with Satisfaction, that the Vineyards cultivated in the Neighbourhood of that Castle, had all the Success that could be expected, has made a Present to the Possessors of those Vineyards of many thousand Feet of Vine, which he has caused to be brought for that Purpose from the Countries which produce the most exquisite and scarce Wines. By this Experiment it will be known what sort of Grapes will thrive best in the King's Dominions.

His Majesty is also continually making his States more populous by the Encouragement he gives to Foreigners, who are under Hardships either on a Civil or Religious Account, to come and settle in them. Fifty two Persons are lately arriv'd on this Account from the Duchy of Deux-Ponts. What can a Prince think of more than our Sovereign has done during the Eight Years he has reigned over us. He has reformed our Laws, and abridged the Proceedings in the Courts of Justice: He has raised the Character of his House amongst the most powerful Princes of Europe: He has greatly augmented the Dominions that were left him: He has laid a Plan for making his Subjects a commercial People, and already obtained considerable Honours to his Flag; he has increased the Number of those Subjects, in almost every State he possesses; and now his Cares are extended to the Cultivation of the Soil in the most advantageous Manner.

CHARLES-TOWN, October 24.

By Capt. William Dutty, who arrived here on Friday last from the *Havanna*, we have a certain Account, That Admiral Knowles (who commands the Squadron of his Majesty's Ships on the *Jamaica* Station) in the *Conquest* of 80 Guns, with the *Stafford*, *Conterbury*, *Oxford*, *Tilbury*, and another 60-Gun Ship, had cruised for upwards of two Months on Soundings of the Island of *Dry-Tortuga*, in order to intercept the *Fixara*, a Ship that conveys the Treasure yearly from *La Vera Cruz* to the *Havanna*. That the Governor of *Cuba* having gained Intelligence thereof, he immediately equipped and sent to Sea, a Squadron of Men of War (consisting of the *Ala*, of 74 Guns, commanded by Don *Andres Reggio*, Admiral in Chief; the *Conquistador*, of 74 Guns, commanded by Rear-Admiral *Spindola*; the *Conquistador*, of 64 Guns; the *Royal Family*, of 64 Guns; the *Nova-España* of 64 Guns; the *Droga* of 64 Guns; and Don *Pedro Garayzar*'s Ship of 40 Guns) to go in Quest of and attack Mr. Knowles, in order to prevent the *Fixara*'s falling into his Hands. That soon after this Squadron left the *Havanna*, they fell in with a homeward-bound Fleet of Merchant-ships from *Jamaica*, convoyed by the *Lance* of 60 Guns, which Ship immediately quitting her Convoy, all the Spanish Ships went in full Chase of her, and continued it, till she had drawn them in Sight of Mr. Knowles's Squadron, which immediately gave them Chase. That as soon as the Spanish perceived Mr. Knowles coming in Pursuit of them, they tack'd, and stood in for the Land of *Cuba*:

but he over-taking them on *Saturday* the first Instant, a smart Engagement ensued, which began about 2 o'Clock that Afternoon, and lasted till 10 at Night, when the *Conquistador* was taken, the *Ala* blown up by the Spaniards themselves, as the *Stafford* was going to burn her, (she being entirely disabled) and the other Spanish Ships got into the *Havanna*, but in so shattered a Condition, with the Loss of their Masts, &c. that they cannot be fitted for the Sea again in less than a Twelve-Month: And that Mr. Knowles had receiv'd so little Damage in his Ships, that he was in a Condition to appear with them in Sight of the *Havanna*, on the Third Day after this Engagement, when he sent a Flag of Truce to that Government, desiring all the English Prisoners that there might be exchange'd for those Spaniards he had taken in the *Conquistador*, which Exchange was immediately made. — And we have the Pleasure to inform our Readers, That in Consequence thereof, Capt. Henry Horramond, Mr. James Paine, and Mr. William May of this Town (long since judg'd to be lost) are on board Mr. Knowles's Squadron.

His Majesty's Ship the *Glasgow*, Capt. Hallam, which had a great Quantity of Money on board shipp'd by the Merchant, sail'd on the 11th Instant, for *England*.

CUSTOM-HOUSE CHARLES-TOWN, Enter'd Inwards.

Ship Success, Walter Scott, from Philadelphia.
Schooner Georgia Packet, John Rankin, from Hispaniola.
Sloop Hunter, James Righton, from Turks-Island.
Sloop St. Andrew, William Duthy, from the Havanna.
Sloop Hopewell, Seth Crane, from Rhode-Island.

Enter'd Outwards.
None.

Clear'd for Departure.

Schooner Mary, John Strachan, to St. Augustine.
Sloop Peggy, Joseph Hutchins, to Providence.

EXPORTED from this Place, since the first of September last, the following Goods, of the Produce of this Province.

Rice, 54,924 Barrels.	Cann'd Leather, 6550 Sides.
Pitch, 34,084 Barrels.	Beef & Pork, 4,541 Barrels.
Tar, 2787 Barrels.	Corn & Wheat, 8,906 Bushels.
Turpentine, 2965 Barrels.	Indigo, 135,909 lb.
Deer-Skins, 720 Hds.	

Market Price at Charleston, of the following Goods, of the Produce and Manufacture of this Province.

Rice per Cr. 55 s. 0	Deer, 5 L.
Pitch per Barrel, 45 s.	Deer-Skins, per lb. 16 s. 6
Tar, 40 s.	Indigo, 20 s.
Turpentine, 12 s. 6	Corn per Bushel, 17 s. 6
Wheat, 8 s. 10	Wheat, 12 s. 6
	Staves, per 1000, 15 l. 10 s.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

TO BE SOLD at public Vendue, on

Tuesday the first of November next, for ready Money, about 300 Acres of good Land for Rice, &c. situate in Colleton County near *Parson's Ferry*, belonging to the Estate of Mr. Singleten deceased, taken in Execution by *Rowland Lowndes*, Prov. Mar.

WHEREAS my Wharff (fronting Mr.

Anthony Mathew's Buildings on the Bay) is in Order to receive the Produce of this Province, I give this public Notice, that there shall be due Attendance, and good Assistance given to all Boats that shall use it; and that I continue to sell the Country Commodities on the usual Commissions.

Thomas Legari.
N.B. All sorts of House Carpenter's and Joiner's Work built and completed in the best Manner, at the said Legari's Dock in *Brick Alley*, by *James Ferris*.

AS I keep a Wharff and have convenient Stores, This is to give Notice to Persons in the Country, that I am willing to sell their Produce on the usual Commissions; and shall use my utmost Endeavours for the Interest of those that may employ me as a Factor.

Henry Dean.
AN Overseer and his Wife, well recommended, may meet with Encouragement from *Luke Stentenberg*.

TO BE SOLD on Tuesday the 15th Day
of November next, at the House of *John Mackenzie* of *Charlestown*
Neck, Tavern-keeper, all the real and personal Estate of the said
John Mackenzie for Satisfaction and Payment first of Debts due to
the Subscribers, who stand bound for him in several large Sums of
Money, and thereafter for Payment of his other Creditors in pro-
portion to the Amount of their Demands. The Sale will begin pre-
cisely at 10 o'Clock before Noon. *John Mackenzie.*

TO BE SOLD, a Plantation at English
Santee, containing 1200 Acres of Land, thereof about 500 Acres
Swamp, very good for Rice Corn and Indigo, the high Lands be-
ing good for Corn and Timber; Thereon are two large Barns,
several Out-houses, and two small Dwelling-houses, an Orchard, &c.
Likewise, a Plantation about four Miles this Side *Cambaker* Bridge,
containing 1200 Acres of Land, whereof half is exceeding good
Rice Swamp, and easily to be damm'd, it being very level; the
high Land good for Indigo, Corn, &c; thereon is a small Dwel-
ling-house, a very good Barn, and several Out-houses, most new.
ALSO to be sold, a Tahyard, compleatly finished with 100 Acres
of Land belonging to it, joining the last mentioned 1200 Acres,
which 100 Acres pay no quit-rent, nor does 400 of the 1200 Acre-
Tract, being old purchased Lands. Any Person inclinable to buy
any of the Premises, may agree with me in *Charles-Town*, who
will dispose of them on very reasonable Terms. *Daniel Wellen.*

TO BE SOLD for ready Money, at pu-
blic Vendue, on Tuesday the 1st Day of November next, a Planta-
tion on *Wadmalaw*, containing 164 Acres, belonging to *William*
Ruffill, taken in Execution by *Rowland Lowndes*, Prov. Marshal.

RUN-AWAY from the Subscri-
ber (some Time ago) a middle-aged Negro Wench
named *Flora*, very well known in *Charles-Town*; she
is slim and pretty tall, much pitted with the small-
Pox, and supposed to be harboured either in *Charles-*
Town or about *Ashley-Ferry*. Whoever takes up and delivers the
said Wench to the Warden of the Work-house, shall have a Re-
ward of 40 *sh.* and all reasonable Charges, paid by *Elizabeth Lourens.*

STRAY'D or stolen off the
Green, a white pacing Horse, about 14 Hands
high, with a blind Brand on the mounting shoul-
der resembling | and branded on the mounting
bustock 32, is 11 or 12 Years old. Whoever
brings the said Horse to me or to *John Mackenzie jun.* shall be
handsomely rewarded. *John Yerworth.*

RUN-AWAY from the Subscri-
ber, a Negro Wench named *Dorah*, well known in
Charles-Town, branded in the Face with LD now
scarce discernable, and is supposed to be harbour'd at
Goose-Creek. Whoever takes up and brings the said
Wench to me, shall have a Reward of 3 *l.* Currency.
And whoever harbours or entertains her, may depend upon being
prosecuted by *Ribben Hutchinson.*

TO BE SOLD by John Fairchild, for
the Benefit of his Creditors, or in his Absence by Mr. George Mar-
shall in *Charles-Town*, two Tracts of Land in *Goose-Creek* Parish,
adjoining each other, and containing 340 Acres each, old Purchase,
with several good Springs on them, bounding N. on *Santee-River*,
with a beautiful high Bluff, is excellent Corn Land, and having
Plenty of Lime-stone must answer well for Indigo: There is also
an inland Swamp never liable to be drown'd, and a good Coach-
Road from the said Lands to *Charles-Town*. Any Person incli-
nable to purchase, may have any reasonable Credit.

A good Man Cook to be hired out by the
Year. Enquire at *Thomas Smith's* in one of Mr. Middleton's Hou-
ses at the Lower End of *Union-Street*.

ANY Person who wants to borrow a
Sum of Money upon Interest, may apply to *James Nichol.*

WHEREAS the South-Carolina Society
have agreed to defray the Expence of Schooling ten Children whose
Parents are either dead or unable to bear that Charge, if Males until
the Age of 14, and if Females until the Age of 12 Years. The Pa-
rents of any such Children are therefore desired to send in their
Names to me, that (if approv'd of by the Society) they may be
forthwith put to School, where Books, Pens, Ink, Paper and Fire
will be found them. *Samuel Pridgen, jun. Clerk.*

SOUTH-CAROLINA. Whereas *Abraham*
Croft of *Charles-Town* in the said Province, hath exhibited
his Petition to the Chief Justice and Two of the Assistant
Justices of the Court of Common Pleas, setting forth,
that he is in the Custody of the Provost-Marshal of this
Province, on a Mesne Process, at the Suit of *William*
Bissett and *Mary* his Wife, late *Mary Smith* Widow Ex-
ecutrix, *Thomas Smith*, and *Bellebazzar Lambright*, Exe-
cutors of the last Will and Testament of *Emanuel Smith*
late of the said Province Taylor deceased, for a Debt
to them justly due, and that he is ready and willing to make
Surrender, upon Oath, to any One or more of his Credi-
tors, in Trust for the Rest, all and singular his Estate,
both real and personal, a List or Schedule of his Estate
being annexed to his said Petition, and prays to be ad-
mitted to the Benefit of the Acts of the General Assembly
in such Case made and provided. It is therefore Ordered,
and the said *William Bissett* and *Mary* his Wife, *Thomas*
Smith and *Bellebazzar Lambright*, and all others to whom
the said *Abraham Croft* is in any wise indebted, are here-
by summoned, and have Notice to appear at the usual
Place of Judicature in *Charles-Town*, at the Meeting of
the Court of Common Pleas which shall happen next after
Thirty Days from the Publication hereof, to shew Cause,
if any they have, why the said *Abraham Croft* should not
be entitled to the Benefit of the said Acts, upon his com-
plying with the Terms therein prescribed Oct. 17, 1748.
JAMES WEDDERBURN, C.L.P.

ON Thursday the 27th of this Instant
October, will be exposed to Sale, at the Plantation of *Meier Miller*
in *St. Thomas & St. Dennis* Parish: All the Personal Estate of *Meier*
Miller late of the said Parish deceased, consisting of Slaves, a few
Cattle and Hogs, and several Household Goods. All Sums under
Twenty Penns to be paid down; and all above a Twelve Month's
Credit will be given, paying Interest from the Date, and giving
good Security to *Mary Miller.*

N.B. All Persons to whom the said Estate is indebted, are desired
to bring in their Accounts properly attested: and those indebted
to it, to discharge the same before the first of November next, or
expect to be sued without further Notice.

TO BE SOLD at Vendue, the 2d of No-
vember, a choice parcel of the newest fashion'd Silks for Womens
Gowns, also Persian, Satin and Callico quilted Coats, and finer'd
Dimity Coats fringed, all which were lately imported in the *Two*
Sisters, Capt. *Borg*, from *London*.

JUST IMPORTED in the Elliot Galley,
Capt. Adams, from *London*, a fresh and choice Assortment of Me-
dicines, to be sold by Wholesale or Retail, at the lowest Prices:
As also several sorts of Family Medicines, by *William Rind.*

THIS IS TO GIVE NOTICE, That
Mrs. Lloyd hath open'd a commodious Tavern at her House on the
Bay, where Gentlemen (that please to favour her with their Cu-
stom) may depend on being accommodated with the best of Liquors
and Entertainment.

N.B. The Wharf, on which is a Scale-House and every Thing
necessary, with Stores complete, fronting the said Tavern, to be
lett or sold, upon reasonable Terms.

JUST IMPORTED in the Ship Elliott,
from *London*, and to be sold by the Subscribers, at their Sale in
Elliot-Street, several Goods proper for the Season, as also good
Hempstead. *George Wright, & Comp.*